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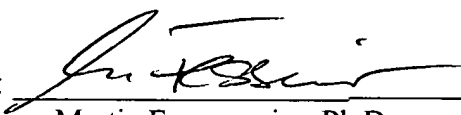
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REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 11-18 are pending in this application. The applicant requests allowance of all pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,
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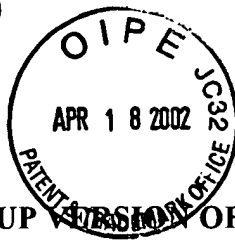
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MARKED-UP VERSION OF CLAIMS TO INDICATE CHANGES MADE

17. (Added) A process of treating an HCV infection in a human comprising:
providing ribavirin to a physician to administer in a dosage range to thereby induce an
increase in Th1 activity in the human to thereby effect a favorable immunological
response.
18. (Added) The process of claim 17 further comprising providing an interferon to administer in
combination with the Ribavirin.

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